



RECREATION WESTERN STYLE

MARCH, 2016

TURN OUT FANTASTIC AT MARCH MEETING

ANY MEMBER CAN, AT ANY TIME, SUGGEST AN ACTIVITY OR EVENT, DISCUSS IT AT A MEETING, RUN IT, ASK FOR HELP, ETC.

MARIA WANTS TO DO A COUPLE SWAP MEETS THIS YEAR. THEY ARE EASY TO DO, IT JUST TAKES A COUPLE MEMBERS TO HANDLE THE ADVERTISING, SET UP THE SPACES IN THE ARENA, SET UP A PARKING AREA, COLLECT THE MONEY FOR THE SPACES, AND CLEAN UP AFTERWARDS. AND IT'S A CHANCE FOR YOU TO SELL YOUR EXTRA STUFF.

If you get to thinking you're a person of some influence, try ordering somebody else's dog around. -- Will Rogers

The turnout for our March meeting was large, as we expected after our announcement that we were considering giving up the ship due to lack of participation. It was standing room only after every one squeezed in!

We had lots of great input and new ideas, and we are taking it further, creating a volunteer coordinator (Kristina Setchfield), so prepare to hear from her!

And.....

We are looking into a new insurance carrier so that we can have the mounted shooters practice and have their events at the club facility.

And.....we have a volunteer liaison (Sill) exploring a union with the High School so that we can both utilize the youth and educate them about horses and the western life.

And we will be having our

Poker Ride on May 29th, as usual, but we may not have our usual kitchen crew as we are exploring having an outfit come in and cook, perhaps Dutch oven, or something else! So keep coming to the meetings, and do read your newsletters all the way through!

It looks like we shall be holding our Memorial weekend Poker Run, and you will see new faces in old places.



Have you seen this photo of the old rifle found leaning into this tree in the desert southwest? It has been there for many, many years.

What we need for the Poker Run to run smoothly

We need someone to decide on the route, ride the trail, then ride it and mark it. We prefer no muddy areas, nor very steep bits, They will also have to find good spots for the check points to set up, and those check-

point people have to be able to drive to their area.

We need parking attendants- at least 2. They will set out cones and direct parking to fill the arena and part of the

track.

We need multiple card tallies—and they need to know their poker hands!

We need last rider out to round 'em all up and get them in. And there is more !

There are three kinds of men: The ones that learn by reading. The few who learn by observation. The rest of them have to pee on the electric fence.-- Will Rogers

What we need: continued

We need someone to go buy supplies—if we decide to cook—we may farm this out.

We will need a clean up crew to straighten up afterward, pick up litter and gather the garbage bags, which we usually store until Tuesday and then a volunteer takes them to the dump.

We need a sign up crew to handle the entry's and take the money.

We will train all these people, by the way. It is a lot of fun, except you do not get

to ride the ride, unless you are the one setting the trail, or the last rider out.

We also need a prize watcher—who keeps an eye on the prizes and helps people make their choice.

AND. The big thing we need is for members to go out and solicit donations of prizes, gift certificates, etc.

We have always had the best line up in the County of prize choices.



shirts. White Jeans and black shirts would work, but you know what a horseback ride can do to white jeans!

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Parades, Anyone?

The Club usually rides the Cle Elum Pioneer Days parade, the Easton Memorial Days Parade, and the Roslyn Coal Miners Festival Parade. In the last few years, there have been fewer and fewer of us riding in parades, so any interest in this activity would be greatly appreciated by

the community. There is nothing like a group of riders clip clopping their way down a paved street! If only we could make the horses neigh on command. We do throw out some KI YI YIPEES, however.

As our club colors are black and white, we all wear black jeans and white

Play Day?

If you know how to play games on horseback, or if you, and your steed, would like to learn, we will hold the annual Fourth of July Play day. It's tons of fun, even if you are a beginner. We have classes by age.

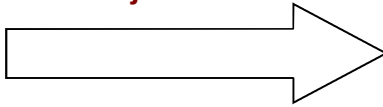
Start practicing now!



Trail Rides Around the Area

The Joe Watt Canyon Ride is a go—with the State Back Country Horsemen handling the ride this year. The date is set for Saturday, May 14th starting at 9am. This a fun, fun ride through the wild flowers and the pine trees on the ridges above the Kittitas Valley. You can camp overnight if you wish, although there are no amenities other than porta potties.

The view from Joe Watt



More Trail Rides

Silver Ridge Ranch in Easton hosts trail rides. This year June 4th is the Eastern Washington Quarter Horse trail ride. July 9th is the Silver Ridge Ranch Treasure Hunt Ride. August 13th is C-B's Charity Ride. And October 1st is the Silver Ridge Ranch Charity Ride. A lot goin' on up thar

in Easton! And camping is available, and an espresso just down the road !

It is a beautiful place to ride.

The Olympic BCHW Western Dream Ride at the Flying Horseshoe Ranch is on July 15-17th this year.

Check out the Capitol Riders Chapter of the Back Country Horsemen's prize ride list at:

capitolriders.org/events

Don't interfere with something that ain't bothering' you none.

~ Judge Roy Bean

BACK COUNTRY HORSEMEN RENDEVOUS IN ELLENSBURG !!

On March 18th the Back Country Horsemen Rendezvous starts at the Fairgrounds in Ellensburg and runs through the 20th. There are tack sales (used), training and education demonstrations, dinner, auction, pot luck and bar, the movie "Unbranded" will be shown. Sunday morning Cowboy Church, and Vendor booths! You

can purchase cool western items. Get your honey a silk scarf for Easter !

This is a lot of fun, take the kids down and participate.

It is such a cool thing that this is so close to us. Don't miss it.



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NEXT MEETING IS THURSDAY, APRIL 7TH AT 7PM AT THE CLUB HOUSE.

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WE'RE ON THE WEB!

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MORE GOOD NEWS FROM OUR MARCH MEETING

Member Scott Neighbors has offered to look at the club's fences and see what they need. They are getting old and tired. We last replaced them in the early 1990's.

We are looking into placing a conservation easement on our property so that it can never be developed. The next step is to find a good land use attorney to write up the easement for us.

As you know, we are a Washington Trust for Historic Preservation registered historic facility.

We have been around since 1956 !

The Cle Elum Round-Up (Rodeo) will be bigger and better this year, and they needs lots of volunteers to make it work. This is held in July- August, so you have time.

